Dear Gerry,

10/20/ 95

Thank for your 10/16 and if you sent that Times review, for it, too. I also had a letter from Dennis today and the clippings could have gotten mixed up. That review says what I've been writing and I'd insert quotes from it.

Lil would appreciate those other samples if they are freebess and not what H-T had to buy.

I see you did send that review. Thanks!!!

I think that Mailer ran dry when he teamed up with Schiller.

The student help this year has been a big disappointment. But one from the Barbados who has little time and who has been working on the Mailer book finds it interesting and informative, says she is learning much from it, and she is not yet into what I write about his book. The first chapters are on him and on Schiller.

I hope that if others see it they'll react the same way.

My guess, and it is only a guess, is that the ms. must be of about 250,000 words.

Hal Verb, of whom you may have heard, was here day before yesterday. He's been a friend since 1966. From the Frisco area, a commerical artist and always interested in the assassination. Then yesterday two of whom you've probably never heard were here, Dr. Doug DeSalles of Sacramento and Barb Junkkarinen of Oregon were here. Doug has done and videotaped tests shooting into melons that disprove the Alvarez (Nobel and all!) and Lattimer work. He showed it to me. Most of the times the melons did not move and the few times they did the shot need not have accounted for it. The difference is that he taped the melons, as none of the others did. So the others hit only soft tissue in the melons when the head has tough skin and bone. I guess that accunts for the difference.

He and Verb are making a case that the first shot was before 210. As I first postulated in 1965 from Zapruder's testimony.

I think those supplement have been helpful for Lil but she is naturally worried about the need for a hip replacement. She has not yet decided but I fear it is not only necessary for mobility and to end pain but also to reduce the changes of her falling.

Thanks and best to you all,

Harold